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Transmitted herewith for filing is the above-identified new utility patent application.

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- 1. This Transmittal Form including Fee Authorization and a duplicate for fee processing.
- 2. A Specification having a total of forty-one (41) pages, including a one (1) page Abstract and twenty-one (21) claims.



- 3. Thirteen (13) sheets of drawings.
- 4. An unexecuted Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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